

## German Envoy Arrives With Hard-Luck Tale

Baron von Thermann, in Battered Cap, Odd Vest and Gray Suit, Declares Teuton Nation Is "Up Against It"

War? Never Again, He Says

Deplores Cost of Embassy; Asserts His Country Is in Bad Shape Economically

Baron Edmund von Thermann, Germany's first diplomatic representative to the United States since the departure of Count von Bernstorff, arrived yesterday on the Holland-American liner Hellig Olav, which docked at Fifteenth Street, Hoboken. He will not attend the Washington Conference on the Limitation of Armament, but will serve as acting envoy from Germany until a permanent representative is appointed. He will serve then as counselor to the German embassy in Washington.

In his first statement to representatives of the press Baron von Thermann spoke particularly of the economic conditions existing in his country to-day and how these conditions had affected the personnel and appearance of Germany's diplomatic corps.

**Baron Wears Battered Cap**  
The baron wore a rather battered black and white cap, a stock tie, a gray suit, with a vest which did not match the suit, and rimmed glasses, which he explained were only gold filled.

"Because of the low rate of the mark and the high cost of the American dollar, it is going to be a great hardship for the German government to run an embassy here," he said. "But as for the much talked of reparations, Germany will try to pay. The government has decided to pay as long as it is possible to do so. And as long as Germany can pay anything, she will pay to the Allies."

"The economic condition of the German people as a whole is bad. Those on salary or who are unfortunate in having to live on their incomes are, in the American phrase, up against it."

"Why it is that if the German industries are working at 100 per cent capacity the mark should continue to be down?" he was asked.

"That is not true," Baron Thermann replied. "You people have some false ideas concerning Germany, and do not understand the conditions. There may be a few concerns working 100 per cent, but the majority are working only 50 or 40 per cent of their efficiency, while thousands are working on a 10 per cent or less basis."

**Germany Called Disarmed**  
On the subject of the German military status, the new German diplomat said, "France has nothing to fear from Germany. Germany is absolutely disarmed. We have less than 100,000 in the armed forces, and they are militia. We have delivered all our arms and ammunition to the Allied Commission, and even if that were not so Germany would not care to enter another war. Germany is no longer a militaristic nation. The people do not want war, though there is no doubt that there is some bitter feeling in Germany against France because of the firm belief that France is preparing to take the entire west bank of the Rhine, just as she took the Saar coal fields."

**Shuberts Sue Keith for Share in Million Venture**  
Demand Half Interest in New Syracuse Vaudeville House and Part of Profits

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SYRACUSE, Nov. 19.—The Shubert theatrical interests executed a flank attack in their war against the Keith vaudeville circuit to-day when it was disclosed that suit for between \$500,000 and \$1,000,000 had been started here for a half interest and accumulated profits of the new Keith million dollar Syracuse vaudeville theater and block. The basis of the action is an alleged agreement between E. F. Keith and Lee Shubert whereby the latter was given a 50 per cent interest in all Keith enterprises here in payment for the cancellation of a lease on the Grand Opera House.

William Rubin, of Syracuse, drew the complaint for the plaintiffs. Former State Senator J. Henry Walters, of New York, in Special Term, to-day filed a demand for more definite specifications in the complaint. The plaintiffs are Sam S. and Lee Shubert Inc., the Grand Opera House and Lee Shubert. Named as defendants are Edward F. Keith, the United Booking Office of America, the K. A. K. Amusement Company and the E. F. Keith Syracuse Corporation.

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